

ACCREDITATION STATUS

The program has received accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation. Graduates are eligible to take the National Board Dental Hygiene Examinations, the examination for registration as a dental hygienist in Illinois, and other state and regional licensing examinations.

TUITION AND FEES

For further information, consult the College Catalog and application packet. Within this program, students will be responsible for:

1. Admission Examination Fees
2. Tuition
3. Program Fees
4. Books/Instruments
5. Immunization/Tests/Physical
6. Lab Supplies/Lab Jackets
7. Costs for CPR Certification
8. Student American Dental Hygienist Association membership and/or conference fees.

FINANCIAL AID

The applicant should contact the Financial Aid Office to obtain specific financial aid information.



For application packets concerning the Dental Hygiene Program contact:

Assessment Office

John A. Logan College

700 Logan College Road

Carterville, Illinois 62918

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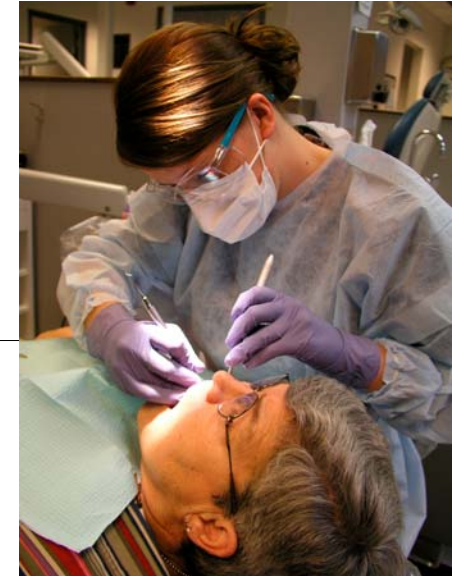
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DENTAL HYGIENE



DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

The Dental Hygiene (DHY) Program educates dental assistants to become hygienists with a high degree of clinical competence and knowledge of the dental practice. Upon completion of the Dental Hygiene Program, students will be awarded an Associate in Applied Science degree. The dental hygienist is an integral member of the dental health care team who works directly with the dentist to maintain optimum oral health for the patient. Duties include cleaning teeth, exposing x-rays, providing dental care instructions to patients, and maintaining patient records. Additional duties may be found within the Illinois Dental Practice Act.

The high demand for the dual-trained Certified Dental Assistant/Licensed Dental Hygienist offers the graduate the opportunity to choose the type of practice, the area, and the environment in which to work.

Flexible scheduling is a distinctive feature of this job, with full-time, part-time, evening, and weekend work widely available

The Associate in Applied Science degree in dental hygiene is sufficient for practicing in a private dental office. A bachelor's or master's degree is usually required for research, teaching, or clinical practice in public or school health programs.

The Illinois Department of Employment Security rates dental hygiene as a "Best Bet" occupation combining a high growth rate with a large number of annual openings. Starting salary for southern Illinois ranges between \$16.00—\$18.00 per hour.

DESIRED QUALITIES

The student should work well with others and must have good manual dexterity to use dental instruments within a patient's mouth. Students in high school should take courses in biology, chemistry, and communications if interested in becoming a dental hygienist.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Graduate from an approved high school, or demonstrate equivalent competency (G.E.D. examination).
2. Complete general admission procedures for John A. Logan College.
3. File the following DHY application information with the Assessment Office at the College:
 - Completed DHY application form
 - Health Occupation Aptitude Examination results
 - Official transcripts of previous college experience
 - Proof of graduation from an accredited dental assisting program
4. Achieve a competitive level on a composite selection score for the College. The 18 top-scoring applicants are awarded admission. This score is based upon the Health Occupation Aptitude Examination—Revised results and weighted grades for previous college coursework taken within, or transferring to, the Dental Hygiene Program required curriculum.
5. Upon notification and acceptance of admission, complete a successful physical examination and the required vaccination and immunization series prior to beginning coursework.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS*

First Year

Fall Semester	Credits
Dental Nutrition	2
Human Anatomy & Physiology 1	4
Orientation & Pre-Clinic	4
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry	4
English Composition 1	<u>3</u>
	17

Spring Semester

	Credits
General Microbiology	4
Periodontology	2
Dental Hygiene Seminar	1
Dental Hygiene Practice I	4
Oral Pathology	1
Human Anatomy & Physiology	<u>4</u>
	16

Summer Semester

	Credits
Dental Hygiene Seminar II	.5
Dental Hygiene Practice II	<u>2</u>
	2.5

Second Year

Fall Semester	Credits
Dental Hygiene Seminar III	1
Dental Hygiene Practice III	3
Dental Pharmacology	2
Community Oral Health	2
Principles of Sociology	<u>3</u>
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*Attain a minimum GPA of 3.0 with a grade of "C" or better in dental hygiene courses (defined as coursed with a DHY prefix) and English Composition I.